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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
(Case No. 98,009-B1)

In the application of:

Kathleen E. Rodgers, et al.)	
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Serial No: To be assigned)	Art Unit: To be assigned
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Filed: Herewith)	
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For: METHOD OF PROMOTING)	Examiner: To be assigned
ERYTHROPOIESIS)	

Preliminary Amendment

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231-9999

Dear Sir:

Please enter the following preliminary amendments to the specification and claims:

In the Specification:

Please delete lines 6-8 on page 1 and substitute the following: "This application is a
continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/245,680, which claims priority
from U.S. Patent Application Serial Nos. 60/074,106 filed February 8, 1998 and
60/111,535 filed December 9, 1998."

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 3-30 without prejudice to their filing in subsequent
continuation or divisional applications.

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Amended) A method for augmenting erythropoiesis comprising contacting erythroid
progenitor cells with an amount effective to augment erythropoiesis of at least one active

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